

NYMPFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting held on
11th April 2016 at 8:00pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Mrs Sturgess (chair), Mrs Cowle, Mr Acton and Mrs Hardy

In Attendance: Cllr Dewey (Uley Parish)

Apologies: Cllr Pittaway

16/34 Declarations of Interests

None

16/35 Minutes of the last meeting held on the 14th March 2016

Previously circulated, the minutes meeting of the Parish Council were confirmed as a true record and signed by the chair.

16/36 Progress Reports for Information

Report from Cllr Lydon: circulated by email prior to the meeting.

Repair of Sara Wooldridge memorial plaque: Ongoing

16/37 Village Maintenance

Bus Shelter: The arch on the front left (when inside the shelter) needs repair; clerk to ask Mr. Gazzard if he could do this when next working in the village and request a quote. **Clerk**

Missing place sign at Cockadilly: Ongoing, indefinite timescale.

Winter Operations: No update.

Village Spring Clean: Successful event supported by residents, thanks to everyone who helped. Stroud District Council apologized for the time taken to collect the rubbish (around 1 week). The marker posts for the culvert on Front Street have been delivered and Cllr Acton will arrange to have them put in place. All agreed that the catering arrangements worked well. **DA**

Public Rights of Way (access to the Glebe): Advised to report online; this has been done.

16/38 Correspondence

Stroud Youth Funding Programme (SDC): Notice to be put in the newsletter. **Clerk**

Picnic on the Glebe for Queen's 90th Birthday Party (Jenny Nisbett): Council are happy to support the event and perhaps make a financial contribution. Clerk to check availability of village hall so that facilities may be used. Cllr Hardy to find out plans for use of the land in June as there may be livestock grazing. Clerk to reply to Mrs Nisbett. **AH**

GRCC survey re future needs: Cllr Acton to complete on behalf of the Council **Clerk**

Uley and Owlpen Community Design Statement: A very comprehensive and sound document, no material comments on the content. Councillors would be very interested to know the impact on planning decisions over the next year. Clerk to send response and to ask if information on impact on planning could be made available. **Clerk**

Campaign for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE) invitation to AGM 4th May 2016: Cllrs Cowle, Acton and Pittaway wished to attend. Cllr Hardy proposed a budget of £30 to cover cost of attendance, seconded by Cllr Acton and agreed by all.

Cotswold Visitors Giving Scheme: Cllr Acton suggested applying for a grant to investigate the pavement under the old water course on Front Street. Include in newsletter. Proposals for grant to be prepared and discussed at the next meeting (deadline for submission 31st May). **Clerk/ All**

16/39 Marking Mr Wilcox's Centenary:

Cllr Acton to speak to family about a celebration and/or gift. **DA**

16/40 Highways

Update on outstanding issues: Andrew Middlecote was unable to attend the meeting tonight but was

to contact Cllr Acton about the site visit report for Tinkley Lane. Clerk to chase. Clearance of drains at Townsend has been flagged as a priority, but as yet no work has been carried out. '20 is plenty' signs have been delivered to the school; Cllr Acton to collect and put up. Marker posts for the culvert on Front Street have now been delivered.

Clerk

16/41 Planning

No applications for consideration.

16/42 Listing Community Assets

Cllr Sturgess to prepare application with support for Mark James on Village Hall Committee. The Village Hall Committee are considering formalizing the trust for the Village Hall and so the submission of the application may be held until this has been completed.

ES

16/43 Finance

Transparency Code Funding Application: This has been granted in full. Cllr Acton to submit an invoice for the website costs. Clerk to look at options for a laptop and software.

Grant Request for Cotswold Vale Talking Newspaper: Cllr Hardy proposed a grant of £50, seconded by Cllr Cowle and agreed by all.

Financial Update: Cllr Cowle to review and return to the next meeting.

The following expenditure was agreed and the appropriate cheques drawn:

05/04/16	GAPTC	Transparency fund grant	£422.50	£0.00
11/04/16	Graham Sturgess	Refreshments for village spring clean		£74.40
11/04/16	RD Gazzard	Replacement of tiles on the bus shelter		£1,045.00
11/04/16	Ann Robertson	Clerk Salary March		£144.00

Notes:

The transparency fund grant is a receipt, included for information

Invoice for bus shelter is higher than expected due to an issue with interpreting the quote. Labour was quoted at £380 for one day, with a day and half should Cotswold Tiles be chosen. The extra labour applies to the imitation tiles too and was not included when comparing the quotes. (The other quote was £1435 plus vat)

16/44 Councillors' reports and items for future agendas

Cllr Sturgess asked if SDC planning could be contacted about the discharge of conditions for the Rose and Crown planning application so that the Council could provide input. The head at St Joseph's School is keen to be involved in discussion about site traffic.

The playing fields committee confirmed that the service provided was good. Clerk confirmed that the cost per cut had risen from £43.50 last year to £45 and that the cap had been set at 23 cuts last year. Should all 23 cuts be carried out this year it would increase the cost from £1,000.50 to £1035.

Chair's Signature.....Date.....

Date of next Meeting: *The next meeting of the council was scheduled for 7:30pm on Monday 16th May 2016 in St Joseph's RC Primary School*